

City of Providence
STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 362

EFFECTIVE September 26, 2016

WHEREAS, Radar speed signs are traffic calming devices that slow drivers down by alerting them of their current speed and warning them when they are over the speed limit; and

WHEREAS, Multiple studies have shown that radar speed signs are effective at reducing vehicle speeds, making roads safer and calmer; and

WHEREAS, Ensuring that school zones are safe areas for children and pedestrians is vital to the City's traffic calming efforts; and

WHEREAS, As the elected representatives of the people of Providence, the Providence City Council has a moral obligation to make the streets and intersections around our schools as safe and calm as possible.

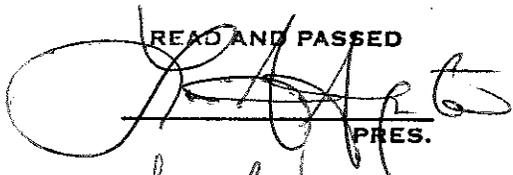
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the City Council of the City of Providence does hereby request that the City of Providence cause the installation of radar speed signs in each school zone by the beginning of the 2016-2017 school year.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That, upon passage, copies of this resolution be sent the Superintendent of Schools, the Traffic Engineer, and the Director of the Department of Public Works.

IN CITY COUNCIL

SEP 15 2016

READ AND PASSED



PRES.



CLERK

Effective without the Mayor's Signature



Lori L. Hagen
City Clerk



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Memo

To: Councilman Michael J. Correia, Chairman, Committee on Public Works

From: Russell P. Knight, Director of Public Works

Date: September 1, 2016

Re: **September 1, 2016 Agenda Items**

<i>Agenda Item No.</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Department Response</i>
1.	Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the implementation of a traffic study along Lenox Avenue between Broad Street and Niagara Street.	A study was performed for the entire length of Lenox Ave, and 49 accidents occurred during May 24, 2013 to August 23, 2016. (see attached.)
2.	Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the installation of a "Four-Way Stop" Sign on Carleton Street at Fairview Street due to the increase in motor vehicle accidents.	There was an increase of two accidents in the past year. This is not considered significant and the accident rate at this intersection fall way below the legal warrant for a four-way stop.
3.	Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to study traffic patterns on Farm Street for the installation of "Stop" Signs where appropriate to control traffic.	The YEILD signs have been removed and replaced with STOP signs at Farm and Webb.
4.	Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to conduct a traffic study to determine the feasibility of making Bolton Avenue and Glover Street a "Two-Way" Street.	There are no physical impediments to changing these streets to two-way and we recommend the change. City Council action is required for this change.

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5.	Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the installation of a crosswalk at the intersection of Bainbridge Avenue and Broadway.	This location requires the installation of a curb ramp to accommodate all classes of users before a crosswalk is installed
6.	Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the installation of Radar Speed Signs in every school zone.	Funding is a major issue to accomplish this request. It should be noted that recently approved legislation, supported by the Administration, allows for installation of Speed Cameras in school zones and a program is being developed for implementation.
7.	Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the installation of "Slow Children" Signs on Fairfield Street.	This sign has been installed.
8.	Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the installation of a "Stop Sign" located in front of 45 Riverdale Street.	The STOP sign at the end of Brookfield, opposite 45 Riverdale has been replaced.

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